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## OVERHEAD

Lightning strikes Rainmen

London Lightning's Gabe Freeman goes up as Halifax Rainmen's Chris Hagan tries to get his hands in the way in National Basketball League championship series Game 1 action in London on Sunday. Halifax dropped the opener 86-83, with Game 2 Monday in London. Story, see page 23. DAVE CHIDLEY/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Man stabbed outside pub

**Charges.** Suspect in attempted murder in Dartmouth bar parking lot due in court Monday



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A 23-year-old man will be in court Monday charged with attempted murder after someone was stabbed multiple times outside a Dartmouth bar early Sunday.

Halifax Regional Police say they were called to the Parkside Pub and Grill at 14 Highfield Park Dr. just before 2:30 a.m. after reports of an altercation between two men in the parking lot. "It was a

case where the victim was leaving the establishment and the suspect was arriving," said Halifax Regional Police Sgt. Greg Robertson. "They had words in the parking lot and the words turned to a physical altercation where the suspect pulled out a knife and repeatedly stabbed the victim."

The victim, a 47-year-old man, was stabbed multiple times in the upper body and was taken to hospital with serious wounds. He required surgery and was listed in stable condition late Sunday.

A 23-year-old man was arrested on scene, and later charged with attempted murder, aggravated assault and possession of a weapon dangerous to the public.

"He was arrested as soon as he saw the officers on scene,"

### HRM stabbings

This is the third early-morning weekend stabbing this month.

- **March 5.** A man was stabbed inside The Palace Nightclub at about 2:30 a.m.
- **March 4.** A man was stabbed in a parkade on Hollis Street at about 4 a.m.

Robertson said. "The knife was dropped and we obviously seized the weapon. He was taken into custody without any injuries to himself or police."

Police don't believe the victim and accused were known to one another or that alcohol played a significant factor.

## St. Patrick's Day mayhem

Late-night neighbourhood riot near Ontario college led to 11 arrests and caused at least \$100,000 in damage to city property PAGE 7

## Cops commit to stop racism

Halifax police renew their commitment to halt racism, marking the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination PAGE 3

## HRM transit back on track

As of Friday, buses resumed operation, and riders say they are glad to have them back following a lengthy strike PAGE 4



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## Capital Health

## Health care workers strike vote to be tallied today

The Nova Scotia Government and General Employees Union says services will take a hit if health care workers go on strike, but Capital Health's emergency services will still be provided.

Nearly 3,000 strike vote ballots — the strongest turnout in Local 42's history — were cast by members and will be tallied Monday afternoon.

Union president Joan Jessome said Local 42 and Capital Health will have an emergency services agreement in place in case of a strike or lockout that keeps services like emergency rooms running.

"They'll be a percentage (of workers) everywhere, but it won't be at 100 per cent, or anywhere near it," said Jessome, stressing that certain emergency and critical care units will be working at or near full capacity. "We're hoping it won't have to go that far but (a strike) will have an impact."

Peter Graham, a spokesman for Capital Health, said the sides will return to the bargaining table on April 3 for three days of talks.

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## Union members

The union's 3,500 members work at Capital Health sites in HRM and Hants County and include occupational therapists, medical lab technicians, emergency room paramedics and social workers.

## Holiday

## St. Patrick's Day the busy season at drunk-tank

St. Patrick's Day celebrations saw about double the amount of people waking up Sunday morning in the drunk-tank.

Halifax Regional Police estimate more than 30 people were arrested and locked-up for public intoxication overnight Saturday.

But Sgt. Greg Robertson of Halifax Regional Police said overall people were well behaved on a night comparable to New Year's Eve for the amount of party patrons in the downtown.

"Two impaired drivers too — people seem to be getting the message about drinking and driving. That was good," he added.

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# Police reaffirm commitment to eradicate racism

**Community message.** International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination marks the 1960 Sharpeville massacre in South Africa

Rev. Rhonda Britton says ending racism really shouldn't be that complex a project.

"Stop acting a fool. Stop hating on people," Britton told the congregation at the Cornwallis Street Baptist Church in Halifax on Sunday.

"Stop treating people in ways that you know you would not like to be treated. Just stop

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Rev. Rhonda Britton

it. It is a simple mandate and easily accomplished by everyone from the lowest station to the highest station."

Britton was preaching to the congregation on the annual International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination service.

"Whether you are a police officer, politician, preacher, teacher, bus driver, dockyard worker, military personnel, a student or just citizen. Where

ever you find yourself you can contribute to ... (the project of) unity and peace among humankind," she said.

The United Nations designates March 21 a day to urge the international community to redouble its efforts to eliminate racism in all forms. The day was chosen as a commemoration for the 69 people gunned down by police at a peaceful anti-apartheid protest in Sharpeville, South Africa in 1960.

Halifax Regional Police Chief Frank Beazeley, who attends the service annually, reiterated last year's commitment to work towards the elimination of racial discrimination by his force.

"On March 21, 1986, Canada's Prime Minister (Brian Mulroney) in the House of Commons called upon all Canadians to extend their efforts to ensure the rapid eradication of racism and racial discrimination," Beazeley told the crowd.

"Halifax Regional Police publicly reaffirms our commitment to these efforts, and hereby declares our intention to work towards the elimination of racism in cooperation with all persons and the community we serve." ALEX BOUTILIER/METRO

## YMCA. Heated debate expected for development plan



RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

All indications are pointing to a feisty public hearing on the proposed YMCA development at Halifax regional council on Tuesday.

Last month, council gave first reading to a bylaw amendment that would provide an exception for the 46-metre proposed development.

The YMCA project would consist of two residential tow-

ers and a recreation complex that would be built on their current site and the CBC on the corner of Sackville and South Park Streets.

It's too tall by HRM-byDesign standards, but there is an exception clause, Policy 89, which offers exemptions for projects that offer economic, social or cultural benefits.

It's causing some contro-

versy because some opponents believe it's too tall and would cast shadows over the Public Gardens across the street.

Proponents believe it would provide much-needed density downtown as well as a new recreation facility.

The public hearing is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Tuesday in council chambers.

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Mobile news



Officials in Marseille are evacuating an area around the French Mediterranean city's port so they can remove a bomb that dates to the Second World War. Scan the code for the story.



On the web

**Nothing says St. Patrick's Day like a riot**

St. Patrick's Day celebrations turned ugly as 1,000 rioters squared off with London, Ont., police and firefighters Saturday night. Watch at metronews.ca/video

## Transit threat. Bomb hoax a 'one-off': Police

There have been no arrests after a Metro Transit bus was evacuated Friday evening when a bomb threat call came in and an abandoned kit bag was found.

The incident came on the first day Metro Transit buses returned to the road following a nearly seven-week long strike.

"It appears to have been a one-off," said Halifax Regional Police Sgt. Greg Robertson. "It hasn't happened in recent history, so (we're) not sure what to make of it at this point."

Police say at 5:10 p.m. on Friday, they received an untraceable 911 call stating a bomb was on a Metro Transit bus.

No further details were given as the caller hung up.

At about the same time,

### Search for clues

- Police are continuing to investigate the incident.

a bus travelling on Barrington Street reported a passenger had turned over an abandoned kit bag. The bus was stopped immediately, between Morris and South Streets, and passengers left the vehicle.

Officers responded and the immediate area was evacuated. The bomb squad then arrived on scene and determined only a white towel was inside the bag.

The scene was then reopened to the public, and the bus continued on its route.

PHILIP CROUCHER/METRO

## Lyle Howe. Crown drops charges of uttering threats against Halifax lawyer

The Crown has dropped a charge of uttering threats against a Halifax lawyer due to a lack of evidence.

Lyle Howe was charged after he was accused of threatening a client who was in a courthouse holding cell on Sept. 28.

Crown attorney Andre Arseneau said Friday there wasn't a realistic chance of a conviction, but wouldn't say precisely why the case was dropped.

But defence lawyer Mike Taylor said outside Halifax provincial court on Friday that a video of the holding area showed that an allegation that Howe reached through the bars of a cell and took a swing at a client was false.

The video was not entered as evidence.

Taylor said the video did not contain audio but showed Howe going about his business in the holding unit.

"Why was the charge laid in the first place?" Taylor said. "I was at a loss to explain that."

He said the cell area is videotaped throughout the



Lyle Howe RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

day, but the prosecution did not ask to see it before proceeding with the case.

Taylor said the Crown obtained the video after he asked for it about a month ago.

Howe also said outside court that the case shouldn't have proceeded.

"The public deserves a criminal justice system that operates efficiently and resourcefully," he said.

Howe is also charged with sexual assault and administering a noxious substance in an unrelated matter. A preliminary hearing for that case is scheduled to begin May 30. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### Edmundston

## Man charged after drugs found in pickup truck

A Lower Sackville man is facing charges after New Brunswick police found more than 40 kilograms of marijuana in his pickup truck.

RCMP in Edmundston

made the discovery after the man was pulled over on Highway 2 on Thursday.

Police say the drugs were found in a concealed compartment.

Michael McNaughton, 28, appeared in court Friday and was released on bail and several conditions.

The man will appear back in Edmundston provincial court on April 18.

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Bus riders board a Eastern Passage-bound bus at the Dartmouth Bridge Terminal on Sunday afternoon. RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

# Riders enjoy being back on the bus

### Easy road

"(Transit) makes my life a lot easier. (It's) faster, a lot cheaper, it just makes things easier."

Transit user Charlotte Giacomelli

Sunday, travelling to downtown Halifax to soak up the unseasonably warm temperatures.

"It's something that you didn't realize it was gone until it actually came back," said Dartmouth's Zach Spears, who lost his job during the 41-day strike because he couldn't get to work.

"You didn't realize the convenience of the buses.

And now that they're back, it just feels like you can go anywhere."

Metro Transit ferries resumed operation on Thursday, with regular bus services following a day later. In attempt to lure riders back, Metro Transit has waved fares for the remainder of the month.

Transit user Ti Hadley still believes the union shouldn't

have gone on strike in the first place.

"They wanted the job, and when the job requires certain hours, you do them," said Hadley, who walked back and forth from Bedford during the strike.

But fellow transit user Ryan Cromwell held no animosity for Metro Transit operators.

"I'm not too upset with anybody. I just wish that we had more control over what was going on," he said.

"It's nice (that the buses are free), it's definitely nice. But it's not worth (the strike) or anything."

## Province, feds to make joint greenhouse gas announcement

The provincial and federal governments will be making a joint announcement on Monday morning regarding the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.

The 11:30 a.m. press con-

ference in Halifax will feature Nova Scotia Environment Minister Sterling Belliveau and federal Environment Minister Peter Kent.

No other details in a release were given. **METRO**



Peter Kent THE CANADIAN PRESS

### Cape Breton

## Three charged after drugs seized

Three men are facing several drug charges after Cape Breton police searched a home in New Waterford last week.

A quantity of marijuana and cash were seized, and the three men were arrested. **CAPE BRETON POST**



# Province props up NewPage paper fund

**Bailout.** Facility under creditor protection until March 31 as proposed sale drags on

The province will provide an additional \$14.8 million to support Cape Breton's struggling forestry industry as negotiations to finalize a sale of the shuttered NewPage Port Hawkesbury paper mill continue.

Premier Darrell Dexter also said on Friday a \$15-million fund originally announced last September to keep the mill's woodlands operation intact would be doubled and extended until the end of this September.

The new funding will include up to \$9 million for the mill's supply chain and \$5.8 million to keep the mill in a state of readiness once a sale is complete, Dexter said.

"We don't want to be in the business of subsidizing a mill that's not going to be sustainable," Dexter said in



Darrell Dexter METRO FILE

Port Hawkesbury.

"What we want to do is ensure that the mill is there as an asset, so that when a new operator comes along for the long term that we have an industry that's going to be here for decades to come."

Dexter said the fund has generated 400 jobs since the mill in nearby Point Tupper was closed last September.

He said negotiations to finalize the proposed sale of NewPage Port Hawkesbury to Pacific West Commercial Corp. have taken longer than he hoped, but he is confident a deal will be done.

"We're optimistic about the potential for a deal," Dexter said. "How long that will take we still don't know."

He said the government would also allow the mill to access \$10 million provided under a May 2006 agreement between Stora Enso, the mill's previous owner, and the former Tory government.

The mill employed about 1,000 people before it closed. At the time, its Ohio-based parent company said it was forced to halt operations because it was losing about \$4 million a month as it struggled with soaring electricity and shipping costs, a strong Canadian dollar, and declining demand, particularly for newsprint.

The mill is under creditor protection until March 31.

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## Kraft Hockeyville

## Yarmouth aiming to be Hockeyville

Yarmouth has made the Top 5 list of finalists across the country for Kraft Hockeyville. The list was announced Saturday on CBC Hockey Night in Canada. Voting is underway to select a community that will be named Kraft Hockeyville. The winner gets to host an NHL preseason game and receives \$100,000 for arena upgrades. **YARMOUTH VANGUARD**

## New Glasgow

## No injuries in house fire

No one was injured after an early-morning fire badly damaged a Westville home on Sunday. Fire Chief Kenny Dunn said by the time firefighters arrived at the Purvis Avenue home, smoke was pouring out of the back of the house. Two people were home, but both escaped to safety.

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The scene of Sunday's fire.

**NEW GLASGOW NEWS**

## 'Tis the season

## Watch out for grass fires

Spring begins Tuesday, and with it, the grass-fire season. "It's coming," said Jim Prince of the Howie Centre Volunteer Fire Department in Cape Breton. Once a grass fire is underway, it can be difficult to get under control and it often takes a lot of time and effort to extinguish it, Prince said.

**NEW GLASGOW NEWS**

# Green groups challenge Muskrat Falls

**Megaproject.** If it proceeds, the facility would provide Nova Scotia with 170 megawatts of energy a year — about eight to 10 per cent of that province's total power needs — for 35 years



**Bruno Marcocchio** THE CANADIAN PRESS

A coalition of environmental groups has filed an application for a judicial review of the proposed Muskrat Falls hydroelectric project, saying Ottawa should not proceed with the development because its environmental assessment was incomplete.

The groups, represented by lawyers for Ecojustice, filed the application with the Federal Court in Montreal seeking to block the federal government from issuing any permits or financial backing for the \$6.2-billion project.

They are also asking the court to overturn the federal government's endorsement of the development.

A spokesman for Sierra Club Canada, one of the groups behind the application, said the environmental assessment doesn't look at alternatives to the project or make any final recommendations to approve or reject it.

Bruno Marcocchio said his group and Grand Riverkeeper Labrador Inc. want the court to send the review back to the joint panel that oversaw the environmental review.

"We feel confident that if that's done ... the panel will decide that this project is not justified," Marcocchio said from Sydney, N.S., on Friday.

The judicial review was filed Dec. 20, but the groups were advised by their lawyers not to go public about their case until now, he said.

The Muskrat Falls project passed federal and provincial

environmental assessments Thursday, and Ottawa and Newfoundland and Labrador say they will now proceed to issue the required federal authorizations for the project while trying to finalize a promised federal loan guarantee.

Nalcor Energy, Newfoundland and Labrador's Crown utility company, declined comment.

Natural Resources Canada declined an interview request, but said in an email that the federal government remains committed to the project.

"It's unfortunate that certain radical environmental groups can't even support hydro power," read the email from communications director Patricia Best.

"While these groups claim to want to reduce (greenhouse gas) emissions, it would seem they refuse to take any practical steps to achieve these goals."

The Newfoundland government was unavailable for comment.

The joint panel review report released last August concluded that Nalcor Energy had not proven the viability of the project. It also said Muskrat Falls would likely have several "significant adverse" effects on fish, wetland and terrestrial habitats, as well as the Red Wine Mountain caribou herd.

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Regional Plan 5 Year Review



Halifax Regional Council has initiated a 5-year review of the 2006 Regional Municipal Planning Strategy (Regional Plan). The review will focus on how HRM can become more Sustainable, Vibrant, Liveable, Mobile and Prosperous.

## Public Consultation

Public engagement is vital to the review as it will shape recommendations presented to Council. The consultations will focus on what has changed and how key policies need to address current challenges and future opportunities. Each meeting will begin with a 30 minute Open House, followed by a presentation and community discussion. All are welcome!

Meeting Location	Date	Time
St. Margaret's Centre (Rooms 1 & 2) 12 Westwood Blvd, Upper Tantallon	March 19	6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Atlantica Hotel (Guild Hall) 1980 Robie Street, Halifax	March 21	6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Millwood High School (Cafeteria) 141 Millwood Drive, Lower Sackville	March 22*	7:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Oyster Pond Academy 10583 Hwy# 7, Oyster Pond	March 26	7:00 pm – 9:30 pm
Mount Saint Vincent University - Rosaria Student Centre 166 Bedford Highway, Halifax	March 26	6:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Black Cultural Centre 10 Cherry Brook Road, Cherry Brook	March 28	6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Holiday Inn Harbourview (Harbourview Terrace) 110 Wyse Road, Dartmouth	March 29*	6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

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## Muskrat Falls

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- Emera.** Emera would also fund a 180-kilometre subsea link between Cape Ray, N.L., to Lingam at a cost of \$1.2 billion.

# Police probe St. Patrick's Day violence in London, Ont.

**Civil disobedience.** People who witnessed, participated in Saturday riot near Fanshawe College asked to come forward



ANGELA MULLINS  
Metro Canada in London

Increased police patrols and more visits from bylaw-enforcement officers are expected in the neighbourhood near Fanshawe College in London, Ont., after St. Patrick's Day parties spun out of control late Saturday.

Eleven people — seven of whom are Fanshawe students — have been arrested on charges including resisting arrest, assaulting police and unlawful assembly, police Chief Brad Duncan said Sunday morning. More arrests are expected as investigators compile witness statements and comb through videos and photos posted on social-media sites, Duncan said.

What happened was nothing less than a riot fuelled by a mob mentality that saw beer bottles and bricks thrown at police and firefighters, Duncan said. Seventeen police

vehicles were damaged and some officers had minor injuries.

At least \$100,000 worth of damage was done to city property, including broken streetlights and melted asphalt from at least one fire.

It was "the worst case of civil disobedience that our community has ever been subjected to," the chief said. "(There) ... was a complete disregard for the police presence. In fact, I've heard some of our officers refer to it as a war zone.... They've never experienced that kind of volatility."

The mob, members of which danced in and out of a vehicle fire fuelled by propane tanks and liquor, reached about 1,000 people at its peak.

Police maintained a perimeter around the neighbourhood for hours until the crowd gradually dispersed.

"If we tried to engage the crowd, we would have increased the volatility," Duncan said. "We were very concerned that one car would become multiple cars, multiple structures."

The violent situation comes as police and city leaders thought they were beginning to get a handle on problems around Fleming Drive — an area known for violence and disorderly behaviour.



An mob consisting of an estimated 1,000 people took over Fleming Drive in London, Ont., Saturday night. ARTEM ROSNOVSKIY/FOR METRO

## Progression

### Timeline of events

**10 p.m.:** Fire department responds to a brush fire on Fleming Drive. Police called to help as people throw bottles

and bricks at firefighters and vehicles. Police help firefighters out of area and begin to clear out themselves when they are surrounded by a large crowd.

**11:01 p.m.:** Police announce situation as an unlawful

assembly and ask people to disperse.

**11:25 p.m.:** Police vehicles move to a secure area. Police establish perimeter around a mob of people.

**11:30 p.m.:** Report made that TV news vehicle has been

turned over and set on fire. Firefighters determine homes not in jeopardy and fire vehicles move away from area. Undercover police officers sent into the crowd.

**5 a.m.:** Estimated time London police leave scene.



## Grounded in Beijing

Stranded passengers gather around an electronic flight information board following bad weather that delayed and cancelled flights at Beijing International airport on Saturday. VINCENT THIAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Runway reopens at T.O. airport

A closed runway that caused delays and cancellations at Canada's busiest airport early Sunday was back in use by mid-morning after heavy fog that shrouded the facility began to lift.

The runway at Toronto's Pearson airport had been closed after a fire in a maintenance area on the airfield damaged electrical systems required to operate runway lights.

In the morning's low visi-

bility, the runway couldn't be used without sufficient lighting.

The closure of one of the airport's five runways, combined with heavy fog, caused widespread flight delays and cancellations as the airport's capacity for arrivals and departures was reduced.

The runway was back in service just before 11 a.m. after the morning's fog lifted.

Scott Armstrong, a spokesman for the Greater Toronto

Airport Authority, said electricians were working to fix the damaged lighting system with the airport aiming to have the runway lights working by late afternoon.

He warned, however, that the ripple effect of the delays and cancellations would continue for some time.

"There will be delays throughout the day, there will be cancellations throughout the day and people just need to be aware that things

will be slower," he said.

"What you see is delays in flights, but also you see the airlines make adjustments in their schedules. So they may decide to cancel one flight and consolidate. So instead of two flights going out to Montreal, for example, they'll put all the passengers on one flight and send out one full plane."

Armstrong urged all travellers to double-check their flight status before heading to the airport. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## NDP expected to hang on

### Byelection today for Layton's old Toronto riding

Voters go to the byelection polls Monday to choose a successor for Jack Layton, whose star power still casts a strong light over the riding he held for seven years until his death last August.

The vote, which will have little effect on the country's bigger political picture, has hardly caught the attention of the wider public, with both polls and pundits suggesting the New Democrats will have no trouble hanging on to Toronto-Danforth.

Craig Scott, a professor, human-rights lawyer and neophyte politician, is running for the New Democrats.

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Election signs are seen in the Toronto-Danforth riding Friday. RICHARD PLUME/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Rightist parties lead polls

### Tories, Wildrose set to battle in Alberta election

The election writ is set to drop this week in Alberta, and the governing Progressive Conservatives and the upstart Wildrose party are running one-two in the polls as Premier Alison Redford

prepares to call the campaign shortly after her caucus passes the budget on Wednesday.

"I think people are pretty anxious to get to the polls, as am I," Redford said. "I believe we're going to have a strong election. We're going to have a strong showing."

Redford is running in her first election as premier since taking over as party leader from Ed Stelmach last fall. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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# Charges expected in Afghan killings

**Military trial.** Lawyer for sergeant accused of slaughter to visit with client in light of looming charges

With formal charges looming against his client within days, the lawyer for a U.S. Army sergeant suspected in the horrific nighttime

slaughter of 16 Afghan villagers was flying Sunday to Kansas and preparing for his first face-to-face meeting with the 10-year veteran.

John Henry Browne of Seattle said he planned to meet Monday with army Staff Sgt. Robert Bales, who is being held in an isolated cell at the Fort Leavenworth maximum security military prison.

Bales, 38, hasn't been charged in the March 11

shootings, which have endangered relations between the U.S. and Afghanistan and threaten to upend U.S. policy over the decade-old war.

But formal charges are expected to be filed within a week and if the case goes to court the trial will be held in the United States, said a legal expert with the U.S. military familiar with the investigation.

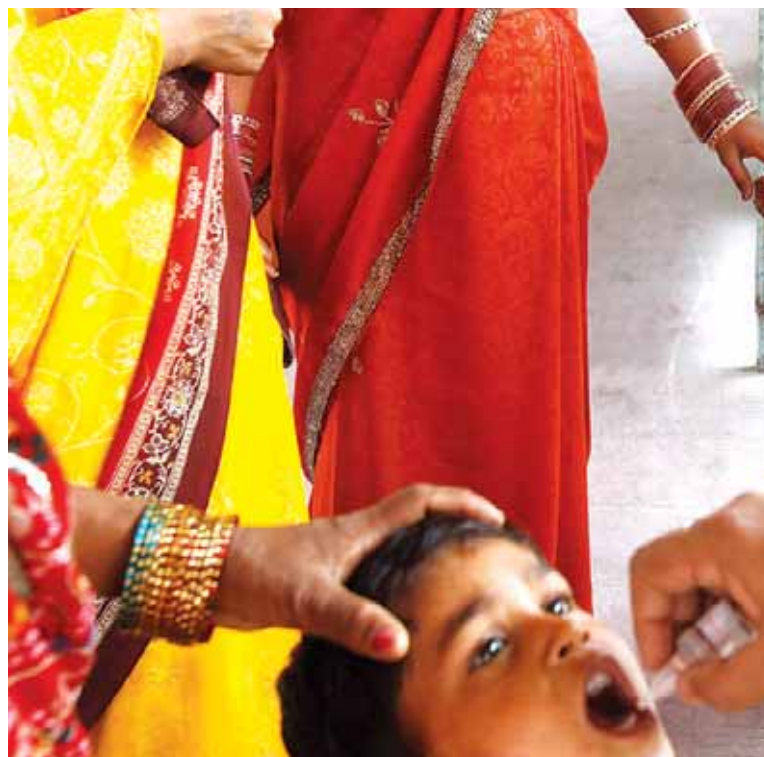
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Staff Sgt. Robert Bales, accused of killing 16 Afghan villagers, participates in an exercise at the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif., in this photo from last year. SPC. RYAN /THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/DVIDS

## Accusation

- Military officials say that after drinking on a southern Afghanistan base, Bales crept away on March 11 to two slumbering villages.
- The 38-year-old married father of two from Washington state is accused of gunning down civilians and attempting to burn some of the bodies.
- Nine of the 16 killed were children and 11 belonged to one family.



## India celebrates a year without polio

A child is administered polio drops by a health worker in New Delhi on Sunday. India celebrated a full year since its last reported case of polio, a major victory in a global eradication effort that seemed stalled just a few years ago. TSERING TOPGYAL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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## Libya. Interpol seeks arrest of ex-intel chief

Interpol has issued an alert seeking the arrest and extradition of Moammar Gadhafi's former intelligence chief at Libya's request. Abdullah al-Senoussi was detained Saturday in Mauritania.

Libyan authorities may have requested the red notice, issued Sunday, in an at-

tempt to ensure they take custody of the man accused of attacking civilians during the uprising against Gadhafi last year and the 1989 bombing of a French airliner.

The International Criminal Court and France have also said they want to prosecute al-Senoussi. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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## Syrian rebels. Hundreds flee to Turkey to regroup, face weapons shortages



Syrian rebel commander Ahmad Mhibzt gestures during an interview with The Associated Press in Gorenas, Turkey, Sunday. SELCAN HACAOGU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Syrian rebels are regrouping despite some bitter defeats at the hands of President Bashar Assad's regime, and a top priority is finding weapons and ammunition to boost their firepower, a man who identified himself as a low-ranking rebel commander told The Associated Press.

Ahmad Mhibzt, who said he was a sergeant who defected from the Syrian army, is one of hundreds, possibly thousands, of rebels who have fled to Turkey, where many hope to turn the tide of the fight back in their favour.

"We are regrouping," Mhibzt insisted Sunday.

"We are working on finding weapons."

In recent weeks, as the uprising against Assad wrapped up its first year, Syrian government forces retook some key rebel-held areas in the country.

On March 1, after nearly four weeks of relentless shelling that killed hundreds of people, the government reclaimed the Baba Amr neighbourhood in the city of Homs.

On Tuesday, government forces retook the town of Idlib after a bloody, three-day operation close to the border with Turkey.

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# 2 killed, 30 injured as blast rocks city in northern Syria

**Bombings.** Aleppo and capital Damascus struck by a number of deadly explosions since December

An explosion struck near a Syrian government security building in the northern city of Aleppo Sunday while a harsh security crackdown prevented opposition rallies marking one year since the first nationwide protests of the uprising against President Bashar Assad.

The Syrian state news agency called the Aleppo explosion a "terrorist bombing" and said one policeman and one female civilian were killed, while 30 were injured.

It was the second attack in two days on regime strongholds. Three suicide bombings in the capital Damascus on Saturday killed 27 people.

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A man reacts at a funeral for victims killed in a suicide-bombing attack in Damascus Sunday. MUZAFFAR SALMAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Humanitarian crisis

### Red Cross seeks Syrian foreign-aid corridor

The president of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) says he will meet with Russia's foreign minister Monday seeking a daily break in fighting in Syria to improve access for aid workers.

ICRC president Jakob Kellenberger says his meeting with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov will focus on areas affected by the uprising against President Bashar Assad where the humanitarian situation "remains extremely difficult and could deteriorate further."

Kellenberger said Sunday the Red Cross "is asking for an unambiguous commitment" from all parties to arrange a daily cessation in Syrian fighting for at least two hours.

He says a humanitarian corridor is "essential" for emergency medical evacuations and bringing aid to vulnerable people swiftly.

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# Occupy protesters forced out by police

**New York.** Seventy-three demonstrators detained at protests to mark six months of Occupy Wall Street

Protesters marking the six-month mark since the start of the Occupy movement were taken into custody by police officers who poured into Zuccotti Park in New York after warning those who had gathered there that it was closed.

Police said 73 people were detained. It was unclear how many were still in custody Sunday afternoon.

Some demonstrators had locked arms and sat down in the middle of Zuccotti Park near Wall Street — where the protest movement started last September — after police announced on a bullhorn at around 11:30 p.m. Saturday that the park was closed.

Officers then entered the park, forcing out most of



Robert Neuwirth types on an old-fashioned typewriter as part of an art project in Zuccotti Park before a march to celebrate sixth months of the protest movement on Saturday in New York. JOHN MINCHILLO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

the crowd and surrounding a small group that stayed behind. Police formed a human ring around the park to keep

protesters out.

An unused public transit bus was brought in to cart away about a dozen demon-

strators in plastic handcuffs. One female under arrest was taken away in an ambulance.

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## Germany. Activist Joachim Gauck named country's new president



**Joachim Gauck**  
MAYA HITII/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A far-reaching majority of lawmakers elected former East German pro-democracy activist Joachim Gauck as Germany's new president Sunday.

The 72-year-old Gauck is an outspoken former Lutheran pastor and relentless advocate of democracy and civil rights who enjoyed the backing of most major parties. He received 991 of the 1,232 ballots cast.

The ex-communist Left party's candidate Beate Klarsfeld secured 126 votes, the far-right NPD party's candidate Olaf Rose only three, and there were 108 abstentions, said Norbert Lammert.

the president of Germany's Parliament.

Gauck appeared moved as he accepted the election to become the country's new head of state, a largely ceremonial role.

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## Allegedly al-Qaida

## German man faces 10 years as terror trial kicks off

A German-Afghan man whose information helped prompt terrorism warnings across Europe in 2010 goes on trial Monday on charges

that he was a member of al-Qaida and another terrorist group.

Ahmad Wali Siddiqui was captured by U.S. troops in Afghanistan in July 2010 and while in custody provided details on alleged al-Qaida plots supposedly targeting European cities.

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# Solar storms, volcanoes seen as threats to U.K.

Britain has added volcanoes and solar storms to floods, flu and terrorism on a list of threats to national security.

The highest-priority risks to Britain are pandemic influenza, coastal flooding, terrorist attacks and — a new addition — volcanic eruptions in countries like Iceland, according to the recently published 2012 edition of the government's National Risk Register for Civil Emergencies.

"Severe space weather" poses a threat to communications systems, electronic circuits and power grids, the list said. Solar storms — eruptions of magnetic energy and charged particles — are part of the sun's normal 11-year cycle, which is expected to reach a peak next year.

The storms can't hurt people, but can disturb electric grids, GPS systems and satellites. In 1989, a strong solar storm knocked out the power grid in Quebec, cutting electricity to six million people. Last week, the strongest solar storm since 2004 passed without major disruptions.

Last month, the U.K. Parliament's defence committee called on the government to prepare for disruptions to



## Mount Etna volcano in Ita

electrical supplies and satellites from electromagnetic pulses — whether caused by the sun or by a nuclear weapon exploded in space.

"We are becoming more and more reliant on technology, and that technology is becoming more and more delicate," the committee's chairman, Conservative lawmaker James Arbuthnot, told Sunday's edition of The Observer newspaper. "Be afraid, very afraid."

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## MARRIED WITH KIDS



With two children in public school, a home in a suburb of Calgary, and an annual household income of \$70,000, Peter and Kim have learned how to make the most of their money — and make it work for them.

Peter, 34, is an office manager at a downtown firm while Kim, 30, has just returned to the workforce and has a part-time job at a department store. They have a long-term financial goal to pay off their mortgage by the time Peter turns 60, and they have retirement and education savings plans in place too.

“We’re especially good at stretching our budget on food,” says Peter. “We plan meals ahead, shop the specials flyers and always pack lunches.” The couple also manages with one car. “On the days I’m scheduled to work nights, I drop him off at the C Train — and he takes public transit,” says Kim.

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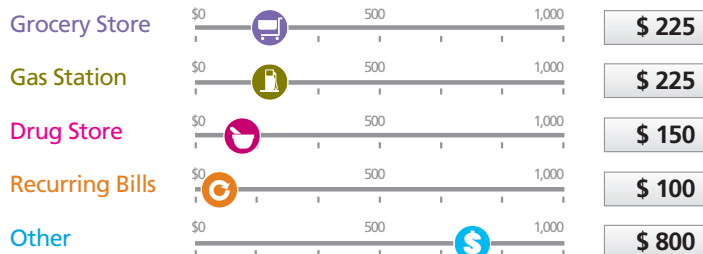
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## IMF head

## Recovery has a long way to go

Speaking at a conference in Beijing the head of the International Monetary Fund warned Sunday against complacency about global finance despite improved conditions.

Christine Lagarde said the global economic recovery will be "a marathon, not a sprint."

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## Oil spill

## Brazil to charge Chevron execs

Brazilian prosecutors said Saturday they will file criminal charges against 17 executives of Chevron Corp. and drilling contractor Transocean Ltd. for a new oil leak near the offshore well where at least 416,000 litres spilled late last year.

Those targeted include George Buck, chief operating officer for Chevron's Brazilian division, federal prosecu-



George Buck, Chevron Brazil CEO  
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tors' spokesman Marcelo del Negri said by telephone.

Prosecutors have also asked the court for an order prohibiting the 17 from leaving the country, he said.

A spokeswoman for Chevron in Brazil said the company had no comment because it had not been notified of the decision. She asked not to be identified in line with internal regulations. On Thursday, Chevron confirmed that there was a "small new oil seepage" and that it was working to collect the crude.

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## Free trade? Thailand has offer for Harper

Thailand is planning a major pitch to open free-trade talks with Canada this week, as

Prime Minister Stephen Harper begins his second Asia trip in three months.

Thailand will sweeten its offer by positioning itself as an entry point from which Canada could make further inroads throughout South Asia — raising the potential of a broader trade deal with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Any economic gains with the bloc would represent a significant broadening of the Harper government's pro-Asia trade aspirations.

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## GPS was just the start ...

Driver Ben Gleitman uses a traffic and navigation app called Waze on his Apple iPhone as he drives to work in Menlo Park, Calif. Thousands of enthusiasts traveling the world using little more than GPS-equipped smartphones are helping Waze and other services to build in-depth maps of cities and countries around the world. / PAUL SAKUMA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Economists. Action needed on mortgages

Pressure is building on Finance Minister Jim Flaherty to intervene for a fourth time on mortgages to keep Canada's housing market and household debt in check.

TD Bank's chief economist Craig Alexander has suggested three options and asks the minister to choose one, including reducing the maximum amortization on mortgages to 25 years from 30 or hiking the minimum down payment to seven per cent from five.

Capital Economics analyst David Madani believes it may



Finance Minister Jim Flaherty  
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already be too late to tighten mortgages and that house prices are due to start falling.

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## LOOKING AT BOTH SIDES NOW THAT TRANSIT STRIKE IS OVER



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Now that transit buses are transiting the city and ferries finally ferrying passengers, let's take one last unfond look back at what went wrong and where we go from here.

To begin with the obvious: Problems at Metro Transit predate and go much deeper than this latest dispute. Metro Transit is overmanaged and underperforming, neither of which is the fault of the drivers, or even the previous contract.

Going into negotiations, management believed it needed to transform the traditional scheduling system to reduce overtime. But it appears they made few meaningful efforts to engage their employees in developing a better system prior to issuing their take-it-or-leave-it contract edict.

Metro Transit — in its unseemly haste to breeze past the formalities of offer, counteroffer, non-counteroffer and conciliation with little real bargaining — seems to have been spoiling for a grind-them-down strike from the beginning.

### Squandered opportunities

**"To say neither side distinguished itself during the strike is an understatement."**

And Metro Transit did an abysmal job of explaining its side of "rostering," the scheduling issue it deemed central to the dispute.

Then again, so did the union.

Which left the public with little understanding of why they suddenly didn't have a bus service.

To say neither side distinguished itself during the strike is an understatement.

The union squandered what little public support it had — public-sector workers are everyone's favourite whipping boys these days — with its ill-advised decision to block, even briefly, management-driven Access-A-Buses. The drivers then compounded that faux pas by blocking — again only briefly — snowplow operators.

While one can understand their frustrations, the reality is the union needed public support to pressure Halifax regional council to bargain in better faith.

They didn't get it.

The concession they got — a promise Metro Transit will consult instead of simply imposing a new scheduling system — isn't what either side wanted.

But it does offer the possibility of a fresh start.

Management must recognize its workers have a role in making bus service more efficient, and the workers need to recognize they can't just cling to the past.

Luckily, they now have five years to make it work.

## Grand poobah of Chinese tea



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### Exotic brew

### Businessman selling tea grown in panda poo

A girl holds up tea leaves collected from a tea plantation fertilized with panda droppings in Ya'an in southwest China's Sichuan province Saturday.

Businessman An Yanshi is promoting the green tea, which he fertilized with the panda droppings.

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### Just the bear facts



of much nutritional value.

- The panda lives a low-energy, sedentary lifestyle but persists in eating some 60 species of bamboo.

- Pandas must eat upwards of 30 pounds of bamboo daily just to stay full.

Source: WWF Travel Blog

### Panda-ing to tea lovers

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Yanshi stands on a truckload of panda droppings collected to be used as fertilizers for his tea farm. He wants to sell 21 commemorative sets packaged with 50 grams of tea, panda-themed tea sets and his own art works for the price of around \$3,500 US.

### Weird news

### Taking highway to heaven in a sidecar hearse

A German man says people are dying for a ride in the sidecar of one of his Harleys — literally.

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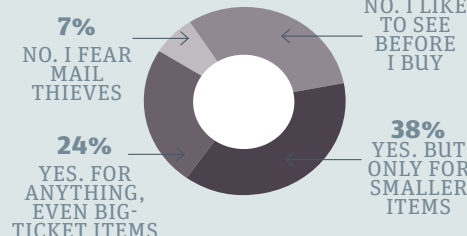
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Box office

## 21 Jump Street leaps to No. 1

21 Jump Street opened as the No. 1 weekend movie with \$35 million. Sony's action comedy starring Jonah Hill and Channing Tatum took down the animated hit Dr. Seuss' the Lorax. The Lorax took second-place with \$22.8 million. At No. 3 was John Carter.  
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On the Web



In da club: Eminem drops in on 50 Cent's Get Rich or Die Tryin South By Southwest show



Actor Benjamin Walker says the makeup and training was intense for Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter. HANDOUT

## Benjamin Walker gets a crash course in stardom

**Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter.** Actor playing America's 16th president is still getting used to press tours and conventions



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As the title character in the movie Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter, which comes out in June, Benjamin Walker is getting something of a crash course in the publicity side of show business. The Juilliard-trained, Broadway-seasoned actor dons the stovepipe hat — and grabs an axe — to show

a different side to America's 16th president. And he's loving every minute of it.

**You don't have a lot of experience with press tours and conventions just yet, do you?**

No, this is intense. I'm learning. Frankly, this is my full-time job. It's so strange because making the movie I thought would be a full-time job. Selling the movie is a full-time job. Talking about it.

**How have the questions been?** They've been good. I think people are genuinely curious. They don't have to manufacture curiosity about this project because it's kind of out there.

**It's all in the title, really.**

Exactly. But I don't think people believe we're really taking it

seriously. They're like, "So it's a comedy?" I'm like, "No, it's a period movie about Lincoln." When the first trailer came out, it kind of changed perceptions. We're not playing around.

**You did your fair share for this film, between training and makeup.**

Yeah, they kicked my ass, man. The makeup was six hours a day. And then you go to work. Then there's your 18-hour work day.

**Are you allowed to sleep in the makeup chair?**

I can't, because it's so uncomfortable. But what we did do was we rigged up a little flat-screen TV and watched three movies a sitting. And I got to watch all the movies I should've seen. Like we worked our way

through Kurosawa. It was kind of amazing. And naturally the makeup guys were really into fantasy and special effects, and they showed me a bunch of great special effects movies. I got the history of special effects. And we also watch all the vampire movies ever made.

**How was working with Timur Bekmambetov, your director on this film?**

He's just a straight-shooter, man. "This is what it is, this is what we're making, buckle up." He's remarkable. He's like a professional six-year-old who has these fantastical ideas just out of nowhere. You never knew what you were going to be shooting on the day, and I love that. It was really kind of guerilla imagination work. You had the structure of Lincoln's

More online

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life — we're really not playing with the events of his life. And Timur's so visually good. We'd do something 30 or 50 takes and I'm going, "What the f— is the problem?" And then he'd show me the dailies and it'd be, "Oh, that's why you did it? Do another 100. Do it until you get it." It's one thing to have a cool shot, but he has cool shots that are augmenting the story, that give you a perspective on what's happening ... and to me that's the goal.

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# Actor Joseph Gordon-Levitt learns about what it takes to be Bruce Willis

**Looper.** Gordon-Levitt plays a young Willis in sci-fi film with a time travel twist. How he channelled the iconic actor.



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After first teaming up on the high school noir *Brick*, actor Joseph Gordon-Levitt and writer-director Rian Johnson are back together for the mind-bending science-fiction flick *Looper*. Gordon-Levitt stars as a man who works as a time travel-assisted hit man for the mob who one day is confronted with a challenging target: his older self, played by Bruce Willis. While the film doesn't reach theatres until September, the pair hit WonderCon, in Anaheim, Calif., to begin the careful campaign of building



Joseph Gordon-Levitt says he had a lot of fun studying the mannerisms of Bruce Willis for *Looper*. HANDOUT

interest in their new film.

**You're bringing a movie like this to WonderCon, but obviously you don't want to give away too much about it. What's the fine line you walk to generate interest**

**without giving too much away?**

Rian Johnson: We were just having this conversation on the elevator, so we'll test it out on you. I don't know, it's weird because when you first

start talking about a movie you have to figure out what to say and what to not say — especially with something like this. We're showing the first teaser trailer here and releasing a photo, and one of the big elements of the movie

is how we made Joe into a younger version of Bruce Willis. I feel like that's kind of the first big thing we're showing people, how we attempted that. The two big elements of that were makeup and Joe's performance.

## More online

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**How much of a challenge was that for you, Joe, being turned into a young Bruce Willis?**

Joseph Gordon-Levitt: It's kind of a dream. One of the things — if not the thing — I love about acting is becoming somebody else, and when you literally change your face that's a transition that's different from any other performance that I've ever done in my life. So there was the makeup, and then also just hanging around with Bruce, getting to know him, watching his movies and studying them, listening to his voice on my iPod all the time, developing that character. It was really fun.

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George Clooney

## Post-arrest: Clooney embraces his activist street cred

George Clooney is taking his recent arrest in stride.

"It's on my permanent record. And you know that picture's going to be all over everything," the actor and activist said during a press conference after his release.

Clooney was arrested for assembling outside the Sudanese

embassy in Washington, D.C.

"Listen, what we've been trying to achieve today is we're trying to bring attention to an ongoing emergency," he said.

"You never know if you're going to accomplish anything, all we're trying to do is bring attention to a moment. We hope this brings attention to it."

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## Did Biebs over-imbibe with Selena and his grandparents?

Justin Bieber and girlfriend Selena Gomez reportedly had a bit of a rough night out in Florida after drinking too much at a sports bar before getting into an argument, according to the Tampa Bay Times.

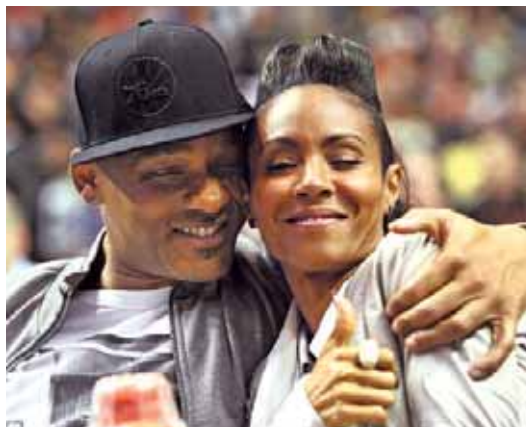
"Justin stormed out of the bar and Selena chased him to the car," a source says.

"His security team drove them down the street to an alley where they had a private conversation. They then returned to the restaurant and upon leaving they all seemed like they had a little too much to drink even though they aren't old enough to drink."

But the bar's owner, Mark Ferguson, insists that while Bieber's grandparents were drinking, the young stars were not.



Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez



Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith

## Problems? What problems?

Fighting off rumours of marital strife, Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith showed up with their kids at the Miami Heat vs. the Philadelphia 76ers game at Wachovia Center on Friday night in Philadelphia.

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

**They kiss, we tell.**

## Hollywood's new, secret romances



**THE WORD**

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Who's been in Hollywood, K-I-S-S-I-N-G?

Well, if you look towards the Chateau Marmont, you'll find a lot of new, smooching couples.

First up? Sources say Jason Segel has been quietly dating My Week with Marilyn star Michelle Williams for about a month, according to Us Weekly.

The pair reportedly first got acquainted during a four-hour date at the Chateau Marmont late last month.

"They were super giggly," a source says of Segel and Williams, who were briefly joined by her pal Busy Phillips that evening. Segel is keeping mum on the news, saying only, "I don't comment on my personal life these days."

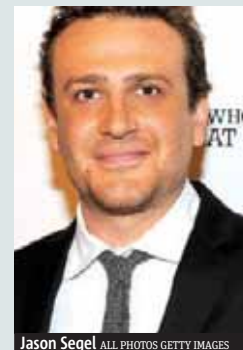
And Cameron Diaz and Jude Law apparently also turned heads recently at the Chateau Marmont as well, when they reportedly were spotted making out on the patio, according to Holliscoop.

Witnesses say Law picked up a \$400 bar tab before the two headed to one of the bar's private bungalows.

But that apparently wasn't private enough, as another patron is said to have shouted, "Get a room!" at the pair, who left shortly after.



Michelle Williams



Jason Segel ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

## Rosie O'Donnell and Oprah break up

Well, that was quick: On Friday, Oprah Winfrey's OWN network cancelled Rosie O'Donnell's The Rosie Show after only six months on air.

OWN says it was because of "poor ratings" — and true, the ratings were a disaster — but reports are coming out that O'Donnell was also less than an ideal boss.

A former staffer told The Daily Beast that

the show "was a fucking hell-hole," and partially blamed O'Donnell's management style for its demise.

The numbers speak for themselves: O'Donnell's new show averaged 186,000 viewers, with all-time low of 60,000 for one episode — a far cry from when she reigned as The Queen of Nice on her late 90s institution The Rosie O'Donnell Show, which pulled in five million viewers daily. This doesn't bode well for Oprah. What's next? Getting Montell on the phone?



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The majority of Canadian Internet users look up medical info. ISTOCK

# Internet advice is not meant to replace your doc

**Medicine.** Think twice before diagnosing yourself or your children with a Google search

When Melodie Moore was recovering from a broken heart and wondering why her relationship had soured, Dr. Google had the answer: borderline personality disorder.

"I wanted to know what was wrong with me, that this boy didn't want to be with me," said the 22-year-old from Markham, Ont. Soon she had diagnosed herself with several ailments, including BPD and narcissistic personality disorder.

Moore was reading about personality disorders in preparation for her psychology studies. She hopes to begin an undergraduate degree at Trent University this fall.

"We live in the information age, but information can be a catch-22," said Moore. "It can be helpful, but the analytical side of us can also over-think things."

Moore is experiencing what Oakville psychiatrist Dr. Kenny

Handelman calls "medical school syndrome." It's what happens to first-year med students when they start studying various diseases. Suddenly a simple headache becomes a brain tumour, a rash morphs into flesh-eating disease.

But with the wealth of medical information now available to all of us at the click of a mouse, it's not just medical students and hypochondriacs who are likely to panic. More and more Canadians are going online to play doctor — and some are even replacing visits to the clinic with Google searches.

At sites like webmd.com, users can enter their symptoms and have the site generate a diagnosis for them.

Having access to all this information is, generally speaking, a positive thing. It certainly can help us detect problems sooner. It can also be helpful coming in to the doctor's office well-informed to improve the quality of care that patients receive, said Handelman. "They can be active participants in their health care."

Guy-Justin Lowe, a 25-year-old customer service representative in Toronto, started using Google and webmd.com to take control of his health care when he felt like the an-

swers he was getting from his doctor were too vague.

"I wouldn't say that I'm a hypochondriac, but I have used the Internet before seeing him sometimes just so that I get a general idea of what might be wrong with me," said Lowe.

But the Internet has also been known to incite panic, especially in people who are anxious about their health. This phenomenon has become so widespread that the term "cyberchondria" has been coined to describe it.

According to Statistics Canada, about 70 per cent of Canadian Internet users looked up medical information in 2009. That's up from 59 per cent in 2007.

Judy Thompson, a family practitioner at St. Joseph's Health Centre in Toronto, says it isn't just the young, tech-savvy generation of Canadians who are going online to diagnose their problems.

"Believe it or not, the Internet is very much as big an issue for some of my 60- to 70-year-olds as it is for the younger generation," said Thompson.

The trouble, she adds, is that patients can be led astray by incorrect information.

"We're not discouraging people from reading the Internet, but one of the things I try to do in my practice is try to point them towards helpful sites like fpnotebook.com or familydoctor.org," said Thompson. "The Internet is meant to supplement your health care. It's not meant to replace your health-care provider."

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## Online diagnosis

"People may find reports online that lead them to believe they have more significant medical issues than they actually do."

Kenny Handelman, author of Attention Deficit Disorder

# Is the title 'nanny' insulting? Some think so

When I first heard that fashion designer Stella McCartney refuses to use the word "nanny" to describe her, well, nanny, I thought, "Get over yourself, lady." Truth is, this is a woman who cares for her four young children day in and day out. She may be like family but, at the end of the day, she is paid to look after the kids.

McCartney prefers the word "friend" — she finds it less jarring — but her employee is not being paid to be her friend. She's being paid to ensure that little Miller, Beckett, Bailey and Riley are happy and safe.

But the more I thought about it, and the more I chatted with friends and colleagues, I

came to realize that McCartney has a point.

I myself have a nanny who looks after my boys while I'm at work and, in the two-plus years since she's been with us, she has become so much more than a nanny.

She is someone I can rely on as much as family (sometimes even more), and I most certainly trust her in the same way I trust even my closest friends.

When I introduce her to someone new, I simply say, "This is Lyn" — which is the same thing I would say if I were introducing anyone, really (barring family members).

Am I opposed to the title "nanny?" Of course not. Lyn

may be like family, but she is still my children's nanny. It's her job title, and I see nothing wrong with it.

Interestingly, I know a lot of women who shy away from the title not because they find it demeaning but because they think that the word "babysitter" has less of a stigma.

But I don't think that McCartney was really worried about stigmas, when she chose "friend" over "nanny." I think she was simply making the point that her children's caregiver is so much more than an easy-to-replace employee. Which, if you ask me, is all healthy and good.

SHAWNA COHEN (MOMMYISH.COM)



Fashion designer Stella McCartney refuses to call her nanny a nanny. Instead, she refers to her as her "friend." GETTY

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## Pregnancy & Chickenpox

### New guidelines

New guidelines suggest women who are thinking about getting pregnant or who become pregnant should know whether they are immune to chickenpox.

The Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada says pregnant women or women planning to conceive need to know their immunity status because of the risk the chickenpox virus poses both to them and their fetus during pregnancy.

The guidelines say pregnant women who have an hour or more of exposure to someone with chickenpox should inform their health-care provider.

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## On the Web



Look who's talking about Sasha, Malia. It's Dad, keeping them in the conversation.



# Get a bite of the healthy goodness packed into this legume



This recipe makes 32 Lentil Balls. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Turkish Red Lentil Balls.** The slight crunch of bulgur wheat compliments the smooth texture of the lentils in this dish

**1** In a saucepan, bring 625 ml (2 1/2 cups) of water to boil. Add lentils and simmer over low heat, stirring occasionally, 15 minutes or until soft. Mix in bulgur, cover pot and remove from heat. Let mixture rest for 15 minutes or until residual liquid is absorbed by bulgur.

**2** Meanwhile, in a skillet heat oil over medium heat. Add onion and sauté 8 mins. or until soft and translucent. Stir in harissa and cumin; cook, stirring constantly, 2 mins. Transfer to a mixing bowl; set aside.

**3** Once lentils and bulgur are cooked, add to onion mix along with most of the green onions and parsley. Season with salt and pepper and mix well to form a thick dough.

**4** Keeping hands wet, mould about 15 ml (1 heaping tbsp) of the lentil mix into football-shaped balls. Place each ball in one of the lettuce pieces and arrange on a serving platter. Garnish with remaining green onions and parsley and drizzle with additional olive oil. Serve with lemon wedges to squeeze over before eating. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ ADAPTED BY EMILY RICHARDS (VISIT EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA)**

## Ingredients

- 250 ml (1 cup) uncooked red lentils, rinsed and drained
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) fine bulgur, uncooked
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil
- 1 large onion, finely chopped
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) harissa (red chili) paste
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) ground cumin
- 3 green onions, finely sliced
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) finely chopped flat-leaf parsley
- 3 ml (3/4 tsp) salt
- Black pepper
- Boston lettuce, torn into 30 pieces
- Lemon wedges

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**Donna of Vancouver**

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In fact, the Canadian Medical Association is calling on the federal government to ban all anti-bacterial household products because of fears they cause bacterial resistance.

I recommend you contact the Canadian Coalition for Green Health Care and search their green products and services directory at

## Standards

**"Health-care facilities must meet cleanliness standards that are often higher than those we follow at home"**

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They have reviewed cleaning products used in places like hospitals and offer recommendations for greener choices. Each organization, product and service listed in the directory has in some way distinguished itself as "green."

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# Mooseheads set up series closer to home

**QMJHL.** Frk sidelined with injury as Halifax wipes out P.E.I. to earn first-round date with Moncton



**MATTHEW WUEST**  
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The Halifax Mooseheads saved themselves a lot of travel miles with a win on the final day of the QMJHL regular season.

The Mooseheads, who defeated the P.E.I. Rocket 6-1 in Charlottetown on Sunday, clinched sixth overall in the QMJHL standings and will face the 11th-place Moncton Wildcats in the first round starting Friday at the Metro Centre.

Going into the day, the alternative was a first-round pairing with the Val-d'Or Foreurs, 1,750 kilometres away in northeast Quebec.

"We wanted to finish strong, to play a solid game and get a win," said Mooseheads head coach Dominique Ducharme. "All year we really concentrated on ourselves and we did again today. When you start choosing or picking the team you want to be playing, sometimes it (backfires)."

The Mooseheads finished the season with a 39-22-7 record and 85 points, their best season since Jakub Voracek and Brad Marchand helped them to an 89-point campaign in 2007-08.

Andrew Ryan, Ryan Falckenham, Brent Andrews, Alexandre Grenier, Nathan MacKinnon and Cameron Critchlow scored for the Mooseheads and goaltender Zach Fucale made 36 saves for the win.

## First-round schedule

The Halifax Mooseheads released the first four games of their playoff schedule on Twitter on Sunday night.

- The Wildcats visit the Mooseheads on Friday and Saturday night, while the Herd heads to Moncton for Games 3 and 4 next Tuesday and Wednesday.
- The official schedule will be finalized by the QMJHL on Monday night.

Ducharme pulled MacKinnon off the ice for the final 10 minutes because "it was getting dirty out there" and he didn't want to risk an injury to his leading scorer.

The Mooseheads could already be without two key players when the post-season opens.

Winger Darcy Ashley, the team's fourth-leading scorer, was assessed a five-minute major for cross-checking and a video of the play automatically goes to the QMJHL head office for review and possible suspension.

Winger Martin Frk, who missed the first three months of the season with a concussion, took a hard hit in Friday's 3-2 shootout loss to the Bathurst Titan and missed Sunday's game with an "upper-body injury."

Frk, who has 28 points in his past 25 games and has been one of the team's most dangerous offensive threats in 2012, is being called "day-to-day."

"He's doing pretty good," Ducharme said. "We're hoping for Friday (to have him back)."



Mooseheads captain Cameron Critchlow led his team with two goals and two assists on the weekend. RYAN TAPLIN/METRO FILE

## Rainmen drop Game 1 of final in London

The London Lightning have an early edge on the Halifax Rainmen in the National Basketball League of Canada final.

The host Lightning recovered from a six-point deficit in the fourth quarter to defeat the Rainmen 86-83 on Sunday at John Labatt Centre and grab a 1-0 lead in the best-of-five series.

The Rainmen, playing their third game in four days after eliminating the Quebec Kebs at home on Friday, were outscored 26-17 in the final frame.

"In the finals it's all about the little things — we put ourselves in a position to win, but



Richard Anderson, left, and Lawrence Wright of the Halifax Rainmen cover Tim Ellis of the London Lightning on Sunday. DAVE CHIDLEY/THE CANADIAN PRESS

we didn't do the little things or execute down the stretch,

in order to win," said Rainmen guard Chris Hagan, who

had a game-high 23 points. Hagan had a chance to tie it

82-82 on a drive to the hoop in the final minute, but it didn't drop, leading to a Shamari Spears fadeaway at the other end that put the game away.

"It looked good, felt good, I thought it was going to drop, but sometimes that's how it happens," Hagan said. "But we know one shot doesn't decide the game, that other aspects — fouls, free throws, missed assignments — could have put us in a better position to win."

Game 2 is Monday at 8 p.m. in London, with Games 3 and 4 in Halifax on Wednesday and Thursday.

MATTHEW WUEST/METRO

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## SPORTS



In brief

**Haverstock narrowly misses another title**

Brittany Haverstock of Hammonds Plains fell just short of winning the third NCAA Division I women's hockey championship of her career on Sunday. Haverstock's Wisconsin Badgers fell 4-2 to the Minnesota Golden Gophers in the national final. Haverstock's trip at 18:28 of the second period resulted in a penalty shot for Emily West, who netted the game-winner. Haverstock, a senior blue-liner, won with Wisconsin in 2011 and 2009.  
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Kansas's Thomas Robinson, right, shoots over Purdue's Robbie Hummel Sunday night in Omaha, Neb. NATH HARNIK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Kansas survives scare versus underdog Purdue

Elijah Johnson scored 18 points, including the go-ahead basket in the final minute, and No. 2 seed Kansas rallied to beat Robbie Hummel and No. 10 seed Purdue 63-60 on Sunday night.

Thomas Robinson managed 11 points and 13 rebounds for the Jayhawks (29-6), who trailed nearly the entire game but still managed to advance to St. Louis. They'll play No. 11 seed North Carolina State in the Midwest Regional semifinals.

Purdue was clinging to a 60-59 lead and had the ball with under a minute remaining when Lewis Jackson, the shot clock winding down, lost control at the top of the key. Johnson picked it up and went the other way for the go-ahead layup with 23.3 seconds left.

Hummel missed an open three-pointer at the other end and Tyshawn Taylor scored a transition dunk for Kansas with 2.5 seconds left. After a timeout, Purdue sharpshooter Ryne Smith unloaded a long potential tying three-point try that hit the backboard and the rim before falling away.

Hummel finished with 26 points to lead the Boiler-makers (22-13).

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### St. Bonaventure bounced

North Preston's Chris Johnson had six points in St. Bonaventure's 66-63 first-round loss to third-seeded Florida State on Friday.

- The Bonnies, seeded 14th and making their first appearance in the NCAA tournament in 12 years, had a chance to tie at the buzzer with a three-pointer but could only get off a two-point attempt that missed.

### Tennis

## Federer tops Isner in California

Roger Federer defeated John Isner 7-6 (7), 6-3 to win his record fourth BNP Paribas Open title on Sunday in Indian Wells, Calif.

Victoria Azarenka routed Maria Sharapova 6-2, 6-3 for the women's title. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Soccer

## Bolton player in critical condition

Bolton player Fabrice Muamba was still fighting for his life in intensive care on Sunday night, remaining in critical condition a day after collapsing during a match because of a cardiac arrest.

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Fabrice Muamba STU FORSTER/GETTY IMAGES

### MLB

## Bautista powers Jays to victory

Jose Bautista hit his third home run of spring training and Philadelphia's Cole Hamels gave up five runs and eight hits in 3 1/3 innings as the Toronto Blue Jays defeated the Phillies 10-2 on Sunday.

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### Curling



"All we look at is how we're playing as a whole and I like what I see."

Canadian skip Heather Nedohin after winning her second in a row to open the women's curling world championships with a 7-5 victory over Bingyu Wang of China on Sunday in Lethbridge, Alta.

# Crosby silenced as Flyers put end to Penguins' streak

**NHL.** Pittsburgh captain held pointless as Philadelphia rallies for overtime victory



Philadelphia's Scott Hartnell scores an overtime goal on Pittsburgh's Marc-Andre Fleury and a sliding Sidney Crosby on Sunday. MATT SLOCUM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Scott Hartnell needed every last tick of the clock to score the timeliest of goals for the Flyers.

Hartnell scored his second goal of the game with less than one second left in overtime to lift the Flyers to a 3-2 victory over the Penguins in Philadelphia on Sunday, snapping Pittsburgh's 11-game winning streak.

Hartnell took a nice cross-ice feed from Danny Briere to beat Marc-Andre Fleury with 0.9 seconds left on the clock.

Kimmo Timonen also scored to help the Flyers rally from a 2-0 hole against the NHL's hottest team. Hartnell and Timonen scored in the third period against a weary Pittsburgh team playing their third road game in four days.

"I don't know if we were trying to be too fancy, but we wore them down at the end," Hartnell said. "Good things happen when you put the puck to the net and that happened tonight."

Evgeni Malkin and Craig Adams each scored for the Penguins. Sidney Crosby played in the third game of his comeback following a three-month absence caused by recurring concussion symptoms. It was Pittsburgh's first loss since Feb. 19.

The Penguins also blew their chance to move into a

tie with the slumping New York Rangers for first place in the Eastern Conference. One day after losing a shootout in Boston, the Flyers moved two points behind Pittsburgh and three behind the Rangers.

Because of penalties, the overtime featured 3-on-3 hockey. Hartnell ended it with his

35th goal.

There was a playoff atmosphere from the start of the game — the first of three between the rivals at the tail end of the regular season.

Crosby, who had five assists in his first two games back, failed to earn a point and didn't make an impact against the Fly-

ers.

"I just want to make sure that I am getting better and feeling better each game," Crosby said. "I think as a group we played really well here in the last few. Most of the time we've done some really good things. We just want to keep building off that." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

# Miami meets with Smith after Manning snub



Alex Smith with the 49ers last season. JAMIE SQUIRE/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Even in the off-season, the Miami Dolphins' quarterback carousel keeps spinning.

After being spurned by Peyton Manning, the Dolphins had a brief, unproductive courtship with Matt Flynn, then turned their attention Sunday to Alex Smith, the San Francisco 49ers free agent.

Smith left the Miami complex after a 5 1/2-hour meeting. Dolphins officials declined to comment on any details about this visit.

The 49ers had been working to re-sign Smith but also went to North Carolina last Tuesday to watch Manning work out at Duke. Smith, the No. 1 overall

### Pivots aplenty

## 17th

A new starting quarterback would be the Dolphins' 17th since Dan Marino retired after the 1999 season.

2005 draft pick, enjoyed his best season in 2011 under first-year 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh. Smith and Manning have the same agent, Tom Condon.

Winless in the post-season since 2000, Miami made signing Manning their top priority, but he told them Thursday he would sign elsewhere.

They then courted Flynn,

the former Green Bay Packers backup who had ties to new Dolphins coach Joe Philbin.

Miami planned another QB interview Monday, when they were to host veteran David Garrard, a person familiar with the negotiations said. The person confirmed the visit to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the team had not publicly discussed its plans.

Garrard, a starter for Jacksonville from 2005 to 2010, didn't play last season. He was released five days before the opener by the Jaguars, then underwent back surgery in October. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Flynn off the market

Matt Flynn visited Miami on Saturday, then agreed to terms Sunday on a three-year deal with the Seattle Seahawks.

- The move gives Seattle one of the most wanted — yet unproven — free agents. Flynn has been stuck behind All-Pro Aaron Rodgers in Green Bay.
- The terms of the deal were not released by the team, but ESPN.com reported that Flynn's deal is worth up to \$24 million US.



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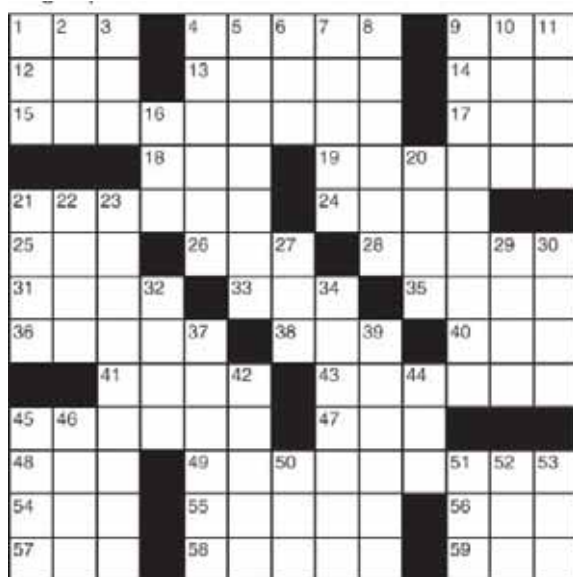
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## Friday's answer



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## Horoscope

## ♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20.

What other people think about you is of no importance – the only thing that matters is that you have total self-belief.

## ♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

You may be robust but you have limits like everyone else – not just physical but mental and emotional too.

## ♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.

Get other people interested in what you are doing.

## ♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.

Don't worry about what your colleagues may be doing, just do what is best for you.

## ♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. What

are the big questions of your existence? Strive to answer them.

## ♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.

Over the next few days you will meet a number of important people, the kind of people who can help you make your dream come true.

## ♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.

Cosmic activity in your opposite sign of Aries this coming week will have a huge effect on your relationships, so put partners and loved ones first.

## ♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

No one, but no one can ever be allowed to deny you freedom of speech.

## ♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.

Life will get rather hectic over

the next few days, but in a good way. Cosmic activity in the most creative area of your chart will inspire you to produce some of your finest artistic work.

## ♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.

Family and other disputes can and must be resolved today.

## ♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.

A couple of friends will take opposing positions today and the potential for conflict is high.

## ♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.

The planets indicate quite clearly that over the next few days you are going to have to deal with some kind of financial upheaval. It may be difficult but it certainly isn't a crisis.

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